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BADOGLIO DECLARES WAR ON GERMANY

Italy Recognised As Co-Belligerent By United Nations

LONDON, October 13.

Marshal Badoglio has issued a proclamation declaring war by Italy on Germany.

Britain, The United States, and Russia have jointly recognised Italy as a co-belligerent, following Marshal Badoglio's declaration of war on Germany.

WAR BETWEEN ITALY AND GERMANY

LONDON, Oct. 13.

A proclamation by Marshal Badoglio to the Italian people said, "Italians, I inform you that His Majesty the King has given me the task of announcing to-day, October 13, a declaration of war against Germany.

Marshal Badoglio added, "There will be no peace in Italy so long as a single German soldier remains on our soil." "Shoulder to shoulder we must march forward with our friends of the United States, Great Britain, Russia and other United Nations."

An authoritative statement issued in London says that a state of war exists between Germany and Italy as from 3 p.m. (G. M. T.) to-day.—Reuter.

COLLABORATION WITH WAR CRIMINALS

Yugoslav Leaders Lodge Protest

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Protest against collaboration with war criminals such as Cavallero Roatta and Ambrosio—who are members of Badoglio's Government—is made by several Yugoslav political leaders in a statement issued to-day.

The statement adds: "In spite of all arguments in favour of military efficiency and political tactics, there exist some minimum moral standards which should be respected. These do not allow war-criminals and fascist oppressors like General Ambrosio and General Roatta to be accepted as members of a Co-Belligerent Government".

After declaring that this will have the most unfortunate impression on the victims of their terrorism and on active fighters, the statement adds: "We address this appeal to all the United Nations and especially the great powers, Great Britain, the U. S. S. R. and the United States, in their capacities as signatories of the Italian capitulation asking them not to permit such an affront to the common cause of liberation".

The signatories include the former Yugoslav Vice-Premier, Dr. Juraj Krnjevic, the former Yugoslav Finance Minister, Juraj Step, both of the Croat Peasant Party, Dr. Boris Furlan, former Yugoslav Education Minister and Slovene Liberal and representatives of the Yugoslav Seamen's Union, Garduon and Miho Jokic.—Reuter.

Eighth Army Occupies Riccia

A spokesman announced the capture of the towns of San Croce and Bonefro on the Fifth and the Eighth Army fronts respectively. He also announced that the Eighth Army had occupied Riccia.

Soaked British and American troops, thrusting in a triple drive through the storm-swept Appennines, are to-day converging to knock back Kesselring's flank on the Volturno river line and open the road to Rome.

The Algiers Radio says that General Montgomery's left wing advancing north of Foggia—the Rome highway towards the key road centre of Vinchiatura, has reached a point less than fourteen miles from Campobasso, ten miles north-east of Vichiatura on the Termoli-Naples road, at the same time, the Fifth Army's right wing has swung round and is coming up on the left in a converging drive which has taken American troops who are being squeezed back thrcugh the Vinchiatura bottleneck.

LONDON, Oct. 13: The Cairo Radio says fresh Allied reinforcements have arrived at Salerno. The Germans have suffered heavy losses on the Volturno.

To-day's Middle East Air Communique says: "R.A.F. heavy bombers attacked the airfield at Maritza on Rhodes during Monday night.

The Cairo Radio said that the Naples harbour is now in commission.

Graziani At Hiler's Headquarters

BERLIN, Oct. 13: The Italian Minister of War Graziani is at Hitler's Headquarters for talks, said the German News Agency to-day.

According to a message from Stockholm, Legations in Rome accredited to the Mussolini Government have been ordered to prepare for evacuation which will take place, if the Allied advance continues, states the Berne Correspondent of the Dagensny-Heter. The Correspondent learns from a diplomatic source that the seat of Mussolini's Government is a certain Dampezzo Cortina mountain resort, thirty kilometres from the German border. Mussolini is already there with several of his ministers. Hotels have been requisitioned ready to receive evacuated legations. Mussolini hopes that this town, surrounded by mountains will be defendable, the Correspondent adds.

The German News Agency quoting a Rome report states that Mussolini has ordered the new Under-Secretary for Air to form a new Italian airforce.—Reuter.

King Of Italy, No Longer Emperor Of Ethiopia

WESTMINSTER, Oct. 13: Marshal Badoglio has been informed that the use by the King of Italy of the titles "Emperor of Ethiopia" and "King of Albania", contained in his decree of September 23, was quite inadmissible announced Mr. Richard Law, to the Commons to-day. He said that the titles were inserted in the decree through mistake by a minor Italian official, and after the decree had actually been signed by the King and countersigned by Marshal Badoglio.

"As soon as the decree was broadcast in this form", he added "Allied liaison officer with the Badoglio Government was instructed to inform Marshal Badoglio that the use of these titles was quite inadmissible. An assurance was obtained that the King would in future be referred to only as the King of Italy. The British Government naturally do not recognise the King of Italy either as Emperor of Ethiopia or King of Albania."

When asked whether this also referred to the title of the Duke of Addis Ababa, Mr. Law replied "I am not aware that Marshal Badoglio has, in fact, used that title. I should be very surprised, indeed, if it was the title he took very much pride in now he was very likely to use."

INDIAN TROOPS IN ITALY

A convoy of the luxurious liners brought Indians to Italy some days ago, says an Indian Army Observer in Italy. Thousands of Italians watched the Indians as they stepped ashore and marched off to their camp.

At first, the civilians among themselves advanced various conjectures as to the nationality of these body of men; but when turbaned Sikhs, kukri-girted Gurkhas and stocky Maharattas were sighted, surmise ceased and people knew that these were "Indians".

People came to the camp and showed great friendliness, offering wine and grapes and vegetables. The Indians, for their part, were happy to be in this pleasant country, now liberated from the unhappy yoke of Fascist tyranny. They let the Italians have a taste of Chappattles, while mentally promising the Germans a taste of something else.

MAHARAJA OF COCHIN DEAD

COCHIN, Oct. 13

His Highness the Maharaja of Cochin passed away at 12-30 p.m. to-day.—A. P.

Sri Kerala Varma was born on 29th Vrischigam 1039 M. E. (1863 A.D.), educated privately and ascended the throne on 13th April, 1941. His Highness enjoys a salute of 17 guns.

The Heir is H. H. Ravi Varma Elaya Raja.

In point of education the State takes the first place among the Indian States and provinces and maintains 57 hospitals and dispensaries. The Government of the State is carried on by the Maharaja through the Dewan in relation to "reserved subjects" and through a minister responsible to the legislature appointed under the Government of Cochin Act in relation to "transferred" subjects. A legislative council with a predominant non-official majority and elected on a very wide franchise has been constituted.

The Maharaja has contributed one lakh of rupees to the war purposes fund.

Sir C. P.'s Tributes

NEW DELHI, Oct. 13

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyer, Dewan of Travancore, who represents Travancore and Cochin at the Food Conference, expresses great regret at the demise of the Maharajah of Cochin, and says: "He was a saintly man in his personal life and a great constitutional ruler. He was also a scholar in Sanskrit and not only a scholar but a practitioner of the ancient system of Hindu medicine. In his loss, Cochin and India as a whole lose a great ruler who was a pettern in many ways."

Few People Heard Siren During Jap Raider's Visit

BOMBAY, Oct. 13.

Very few people in Madras knew that a Jap aircraft was over their city on Monday night, and fewer people seemed to have heard any siren at all, said Rao Bahadur N. Sivaraj, M.L.A. (Central) who passed through Bombay to-day to Delhi. For most of the people, it was news to be told the following morning of an enemy aircraft's visit and some flatly refused to believe it. As for Rao Bahadur Sivaraj himself, he said he heard vigorous ack-ack firing which many probably thought was the usual practice shoot. He had not had the time to study the situation, but he testified that there was no panic in evidence and the outgoing traffic from the city was quite normal. He expressed the hope that the public would remain calm and carry out the instructions of the authorities.—A. P.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, Oct. 13

It is officially stated that before midnight last night, one German aircraft flew over parts of East Anglia. Bombs which were dropped caused little damage. No casualties have been reported. The aircraft was destroyed.—Reuter.

SPECULATORS SILENCED

Moscow Sets Task For Three-Power Conference

MOSCOW, Oct. 13

The first official Soviet comment on the forthcoming three power conference is contained in a three column press review in the "Pravda" to-day. The paper says: "Some chatterboxes are trying to stir trouble by bringing forward absurd assumptions about the agenda of the forthcoming Three-Power Conference. They even say that 'the problem of the frontiers of the U.S.S.R.' and 'the status of the Baltic States' will be discussed. It is known to everyone that the frontiers of the Soviet Union cannot be the subjects of discussion any more than, let us say, the frontiers of the United States, or the status of California."

The paper adds: "The problem of primary importance is the swift unification of the common effort to lessen the duration of the war. The more complete and more effective is the military, political and economic collaboration of the three powers of the U.S.S.R., Britain and the United States, the more quickly will Hitlerite Germany be smashed up. Also stronger will be the foundation of future peace and more successful will be the solution of problems of post-war organisation in the interests of all Allied countries. This is the light in which the significance of the Three-Power Conference is revealed.—Reuter.

Jap Prime Minister's Prediction

LONDON, Oct. 12.

The Japanese Prime Minister General Hideki Tojo, said to-day according to the Japanese News Agency "the war is about to enter its decisive phase."

PARTS OF KIEV ON FIRE

Incessant Cannonade In Progress Near City

(From Reuter's Staff Correspondent)

MOSCOW, Oct. 13

Soviet outposts are now established on Truchanov Island, a strip of sandy ground facing Kiev. Down the stream they can see the remains of a bridge sticking out of water. The Germans blew up the bridge when retreating into the city.

Autumn rains in Russia have begun in earnest. In White Russia roads are now just stretches of mud. Soviet troops driving steadily deeper into German defence zone are floundering along high ways like quagmires. A tremendous effort is required to keep the stream of heavy guns and transport moving forward. The wooded and marshy nature of the terrain add to their difficulties. In some sectors retreating German transports and heavy batteries forced off roads have disappeared in swamps.

Soviet heavy guns have begun hurling shells across Kerch Straits into German positions in the Crimea. This is the first softening up bombardment since the Germans were driven out of Kuban.

Fires have broken out in some parts of Kiev according to reports from advanced reconnaissance parties of the Red Army who have the city under observation with field glasses. Incessant cannonade is going on near the town.

A front dispatch dated "Before Kiev" said: "Day and night salvoes are thundering on the banks of the wide river. Heavy bombs are bursting—machine-guns are firing—the battle goes on.

Fierce armoured battles in which panzers are being badly mauled are being fought north and south of Kiev as the encircling Russian arms move round behind the city from their bridgeheads on the west bank of the Dnieper. With Gomel a few miles from its east bank imminently threatened, the Upper Dnieper is now coming into the battle picture. Russian infantry are reported to be attacking on a broad front between Kiev and the confluence of Pripet where the Red Army holds a bridgehead on the west bank of the river. Behind Gomel the German escape road and railway through the Pripet marshes is under fire from Soviet guns. German defenders desperately counter-attacking at the approaches to the city are floundering in swamps and harassed by guerillas who have closed up to the city's walls ready for the coming of the Red Army.

Roosevelt's Reply To Senators' Plea For Bases In Siberia

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.

President Roosevelt answering the charges made at the secret session of the Senate said that he did not feel that the United States is in a position to demand that Russia shall go to war with Japan.

The President was replying specifically to Senator Lodge's statement that one million American lives could be saved by the use of Siberian bases now. President Roosevelt disclosed that approximately 130,000 tons of Japanese shipping was being sunk every month chiefly by United States submarines. United States submarines had achieved an amazing record in the Pacific where they were sinking a great deal larger amount of Japanese shipping than could possibly be replaced.

Discussing the criticism of the Allies by the globe-trotting Senators President Roosevelt said he did not believe the majority of the Allies were at all deeply hurt by these discussions which they would recognize as part of democracy. If Russia allowed the Allies use of Siberian bases, Japan would probably attack her just at a time when the Allies attempting to deal a knockout blow to German.

President Roosevelt declared that if the rate of sinking of Japanese shipping in the past six months was kept up it would total about 1,400,000 tons a year.

MIKADO'S DAUGHTER WEDS

TOKIO, Oct. 13

Princess Shigeto Teru, 17-year-old eldest daughter of the Emperor of Japan was to-day married to Prince Imperial Captain Korihiro Higashikuni, says the Japanese News Agency.

British Forces Begin Occupation Of Azores Bases

Portugal Determined To Maintain Neutrality

Spain's Warning To Germany

Reuter's special correspondent in Washington cables:—

"Well-informed circles here are strongly of opinion that Germany is unlikely to go to war with Portugal."

It is believed in Washington that British forces are already taking over bases in the Azores.

Spain will fight on the Allied side if Germany attempts to drag the Iberian Peninsula into the war over the Azores agreement, said Reuter's special correspondent in a cable from Lisbon to-day. He added that the reference in the official Portuguese statement to assurances to Spain supports the earlier story that the Portuguese Prime Minister Dr. Salazar had a long interview with the Spanish Foreign Minister, General Jordana, at the Spanish frontier on Sunday.

In Madrid, General Franco declared that Spain would continue to maintain vigilant neutrality. "In this supreme hour of universal disquiet", he said, "Spain may consider herself among all the nations of Europe the quiet refuge of civilization and peaceful living safe from anxiety and threats".

When the news of the Azores Agreement became known, the German Minister in Lisbon, Baron Hoyningen Huene, called at the Portuguese Foreign Office and spent an hour there. He also saw Dr. Salazar.

A few hours earlier Dr. Salazar was reported to have said that Portugal was determined to maintain her neutrality on the European mainland. President Roosevelt has stated that the United States would share the bases with Britain. They could also be used in emergency by other countries at war with the Axis.

The United States and Britain, he said, had assured Portugal that they had no desires against the Azores.

Battle Of The Ruhr

LONDON, Oct. 13.

Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary of State for Air, in a speech to-day said that the air offensive by the British and American Bomber Commands is rocking German military power to its foundations. The German High Command finds it necessary to concentrate more than two-thirds of its force of single engined and twin-engined fighters against our bomber offensive. "Nor does Germany yet know the worst. We are not nearing the culmination of the offensive". The battle of the Ruhr would rank as one of the decisive battles of history. "The British are ruling the German skies by night, and the Americans by day", added Sir Archibald.

Keezhriyur Bomb Case

Thirty-two persons including Dr. K. B. Menon, M.A., Ph.D., and Mr. V. A. Kesavan Nair have been charged in connection with what is called Keezhriyur Bomb case. The charge sheet is submitted before the Calicut Sub-Div., Magistrate Mr. A. Appu.

It is alleged that the accused were engaged in a conspiracy from October 1942 till May 1943, touring several places as Calicut, Keezhriyur, Netuva, etc., together and manufacture explosive substances for the purpose of destroying Government Buildings, etc. They are all charged under various sections of the I.P.C. and Defence of India Rules.

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Policy Committee's report that the price of wheat should be allowed to rise to Rs. 15. The Punjab Minister referred to the printed memorandum circulated to the Conference which showed that the Punjab had done more than all the surplus provinces but together for Bengal and other deficit areas. The Punjab Government had been blamed, but he was sure that the fault lay with others. In conclusion, he warned the Central Government of the administrative and political repercussions which would follow in the Punjab, if the policy of rationing, statutory price control and requisition was to be enforced. The Punjab Government welcomed any proposal for provincial and central reserves and the one relating to the import of wheat, but they abhorred rationing and price-control in surplus provinces.

Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah declared that control of food prices was absolutely necessary. At the same time, he emphasised the necessity of controlling prices of manufactured articles which were required by the agriculturists. Referring to the manner in which Sind had dealt with the problem, the Premier said, you cannot have procurement, unless price is controlled. In Sind, they had followed this up with requisitioning. He asked the Punjab Ministers if they were prepared to fall in line with Sind, in case Sind agreed to have statutory price-control of wheat at Rs. 7. Rs. 8 or even Rs. 9 per maund. Sir Ghulam Hussain said that thousands of tons of rice at controlled price had been sent to relieve distress in Bengal, because they realised that the distress of Bengal was their distress.

The Bombay representative expressed general acceptance of the report. From their view-point, the recommendation dealing with the strong central control and arbitration in case of differences was the most important.

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer, speaking for Travancore and Cochin, appealed strongly for treating India as one economic unit. The problem could not be solved in any other way. He also protested against the "mischievous" propaganda being carried on, that food administration had failed in certain areas because of Indian control. The Dewan detailed steps taken in Travancore and Cochin and stated that distress was as acute as in any other deficit area, and more help should be sent to Travancore and Cochin.

Among other state representatives who spoke were Sir Joseph Bhore, Sir Fredric Anderson, and Messrs. W. V. Grigson from Hyderabad and M. Panikar from Bikaner.

The conference meets again to-morrow.—A. P.

CONGRESS WINS BY-ELECTIONS

League And Mahasabha Candidates Defeated In Municipal Contest

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

All the three Congress candidates for three seats in connection with the Bombay Municipal by-elections have come off successful. The Muslim League and the Hindu Mahasabha candidates have been defeated.

The results of the scrutiny were announced by the Municipal Commissioner, on Wednesday, when counting of votes concluded.

In the Kharatalao-Kumbharwada constituency, Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Congress candidate, polled 1,634 votes; Mr. Gulamali Jamal Mistry, the League candidate, 1,421; Mr. Taherbhai Mohomedali 699 and Mr. M. Harris, 13. Hundred and forty votes were rejected in this constituency and Mr. Meherally was "provisionally" declared elected.

In the Girgaum-Chowpatty constituency, the results were as follows:—Mr. S. K. Patil (Congress): 3,410 votes, Mr. Nagindas T. Master (Congress): 3,249; Mr. K. H. Dhamdhere (Hindu Mahasabha): 2,933; Mr. Gordhandas Thakarsi: 22 and Mr. Manecklal B. Vora: 21. The rejected votes in this constituency totalled 303.

The Congress candidates were "provisionally" declared elected.

MYSTERY LIGHT OVER CAIRO

CAIRO, Oct. 13: Scientists here are investigating a phenomenally brilliant silver white light which hundreds of people saw on Saturday night high up in the skies over Cairo. The Director of Helwan Observatory has asked every one who saw it to send him details of the direction, duration, colour and height of the mysterious light.—Reuter.

SYDNEY, Oct. 13

What was called "the prettiest ambush of the New Guinea campaign" by veterans of Timor now with Australian forces advancing in Ramu Valley is described in a dispatch reaching here to-day.

The Australians killed 45 Japanese in four minutes in some record quick shooting.—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

SOVIET TROOPS LAND IN CRIMEA

LONDON, Oct. 13

The German military commentator, Captain Ludwig Sertorius, to-night said that Russian forces have landed near Yalta on the southern coast of the Crimea.—Reuter.

RUDE SHOCK

DACCA, Oct. 11 (Delayed): Visitors to the river-bank this morning had a rude shock when they found the bodies of three apparently starved children floating in the water at Sadarghat.—A. P.

U. S. AND PEACE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13: A Senate Foreign Relations Sub-Committee has approved by seven votes to one a declaration pledging United States post-war collaboration to maintain peace.—Reuter.

DELHI TO TAKE OVER SUPREME CONTROL OF FOOD SITUATION

Sir J. P. Promises Firm Policy When Announcing Decisions At Food Conference

NEW DELHI, October 13.

The decision of the Government of India to take supreme control of Indian food situation and to override provincial Governments, if necessary, was announced to-day by Sir J. P. Srivastava member-in-charge, Food Department at to-day's opening session of the All India Food Conference in New Delhi.

Sir J. P. Srivastava also announced the cessation of food exports from India.

He said, "The situation wherein we find ourselves demands united unselfish efforts from all concerned. Whatever may be the case in normal times what goes on in each province or state in production, distribution and utilisation of food supplies can no longer be regarded as the undivided concern of that province or State. It is contrary to the concern of everyone in India. It affects not only our neighbours within India but the Allied nations to whom we look for help."

GOVT. MUST LEAD UNITED EFFORTS

"Nothing can be more clear than that public opinion in India and the world at large now looks to the Government of India to lead and direct your united efforts within a common plan. I conceive it my inescapable duty as Food Member of the Government of India to accept that challenge and trust it implies. I shall discharge it by every means in my command and look to representatives of provinces and states to give me your support and co-operation.

In mobilisation of India's resources the Government of India will have to take and to implement decisions which may at times conflict with what appear to be local or sectional interests. Whenever possible the Government of India will proceed, after consultation with you and with your consent but if circumstances should compel us to proceed otherwise. I look forward to you to accept and implement those decisions which we alone can take on behalf of all.

"We can no longer afford either a failure or a prospect of failure and in discharge of my duty I shall not hesitate to exercise whatever degree of superintendence and control at every stage it may be necessary, or invoke the use of whatever powers essential to ensure success. If we are to convince the world and Allied nations of the justification for allocation of precious shipping for importation of food, we must convince them that we have gone utmost to help ourselves".

FOOD ADVISORY BODY TO BE SET UP

Srivastava indicated that the question of rationing would be discussed in the Conference. He announced that the export of foodgrains from India has already been stopped and that the only exceptions would be for ships sailing from Indian ports, for airline personnel in countries adjacent to India and for a few isolated communities in the neighbouring countries, the total quantities involved being less than a thousand tons per month. A Food Advisory Body would be set up at the centre to obtain advice and collaboration of non-official opinion.

APPEAL TO BRITAIN

"I am deeply grateful," Srivastava concluded, "to His Majesty's Governments and Allied Nations for what they have already done in placing shipping at our disposal. I appeal to them not to relax their efforts and can assure them not only that we need all the help they can give but that they will reap very rich reward in gratitude of the teeming millions of this land who receive their succour."

DELHI REACTIONS

In political circles in New Delhi the speech is interpreted as indicating the intention of the Central Government to use their powers over provinces to deal with emergency situations created by the war. This will cause a certain amount of heart-burning in some provinces wherein there is considerable opposition to the introduction of rationing. The deficit provinces on the other hand will welcome the introduction into surplus provinces of rationing and anti-hoarding legislation which will increase the surpluses available for deficit area.—A. P.

Food Conference Discussions

NEW DELHI, Oct. 13

To-day's session of the Food Conference was occupied with brief statements by various representatives giving the general reactions of their governments to the report of the Food Grains Policy Committee.

Sir Chhoturam began his speech with a categorical denial of the statement attributed to him by Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas in his minute of dissent to the Food Grain

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Oct. 13: The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 9 hours on 9-10-43:—

Allahabad 94 71 0, Bombay 80 75 T, Calcutta 88 73 0.5, Cawnpore 92 70 0, Cuttack 92 77 0, Darjeeling 64 51 0, Delhi 96 67 0, Dehra Dun 86 60 0, Jacobabad 104 66 0, Karachi 89 70 0, Lahore 99 64 0, Lucknow 95 69 0, Madras 80 74 1.1, Nagpur 81 71 0.6, Patna 93 79 0, Peshawar 91 65 0, Shillong 79 52 0, Simla 67 53 0.—A. P.

"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it".

—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

NEED FOR URGENT RELIEF

The cabled reports of the Commons debate on Bengal famine fill one with doubts whether the members of Parliament know the real state of things here. There was little or no reference to the persons dying daily in Calcutta and the districts from starvation. Mr. Amery has still the temerity to say that there has never been actually insufficient grain in Calcutta. If the suggestion still is that the famine is due mainly to hoarding, why did he evade Sir Wardlaw Milne's demand for an inquiry? Mr. Amery also stated that the surplus provinces "need no longer harbour doubts as to the manner in which supplies sent to Bengal would be utilised." This is against his own suggestion that there is still hoarding and no real scarcity. Speaking generally, Mr. Amery gave a complacent assurance that everything that is possible to relieve scarcity has been and is being done and will continue to be done. The efficiency of these relief measures may be gauged from the daily toll of deaths from starvation.

Coming to relief measures by the Government of India, Sir J. P. Srivastava's speech at the All-India Food Conference, which commenced at Delhi on Wednesday, gives one the hope that at long last the Goverment have decided to take supreme control of the food situation and, if necessary, to over-ride Provincial Governments. It remains to be seen what precisely the Government of India's relief measure will be and when they will actually commence. In any case their efficiency will be judged by their results. The Food Member also announced that Government would not cease to make every effort to secure for India such further allocation of shipping as was necessary to meet India's urgent demands. The assurance is too vague to be very reassuring. Imports of food are by general consent the most essential and most urgent need of the hour. Moreover, as the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry points out in its communication to the Government of India, the difficulties of obtaining shipping facilities are now less than what they were before, and food and fertilisers deserve priority over luxury goods like whisky and toilet requisites. The Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, also suggests that foreign armies in India should have their own supplies imported from abroad owing to acute scarcity in India. We trust these suggestions will be seriously considered by the Food Conference now in session. The Conference should also note that acute scarcity is spreading to Orissa where hundreds have already died of starvation, though Mr. Amery did not include Orissa at all in his list of scarcity areas. Mr. Amery repeatedly referred to difficulties about shipping in carrying food to India. But it appears the difficulties can be overcome if there is a will to do so, considering that they have not prevented Britain being one of the best fed countries during the war. Let it not be forgotten even for a moment that Bengal is very near the war zone in the East and is expected to be a base for a protracted offensive in the immediate future. It is, therefore, wise from every point of view to keep up the morale of the people in the province. To exaggerate the difficulty of importing food there is not indicative of a high sense of responsibility and forethought.

Significant Agreement

The smoke of rumours and reports about Jap-Portuguese relations and defence activities has lifted to reveal something of which no one was thinking. It is an "agreement" concluded between the British and Portuguese Governments enabling the British—and, of course, their Allies,—to use the Azores islands as bases in the battle with German U-boats. A glance at the map of the Atlantic shows how strategically important the Azores are in this battle. Situated almost in a line though not midway, between Lisbon and New York, they lie 1700 miles from Halifax in Canada and about 1400 miles from England. So that now Allied aircraft can command practically all the sea routes between North America and England and North Africa. The Azores will also be of great help to naval units as refuelling bases in mid-Atlantic The agreement constitutes, therefore, one of the greatest blows yet struck at the German U-boats. It further ensures speedy victory over the submarine with far-reaching consequences in the war against Hitler.

The agreement is also noticeably significant in another and, perhaps, more interesting respect. This war has gone on for over four years now. So has the battle of the Atlantic. Moreover, the maximum fury with which this particular battle had to be fought was during the first two years. Since then its tempo has been falling so that the Allies now have the situation satisfactorily in hand. Yet the agreement has come when its need is very little compared with earlier days. The fact that Portugal stuck to strict neutrality then and has yielded now is a revealing commentary on Portuguese opinion. It must also be mentioned here that Spain, although disliking a palpably anti-Axis arrangement, refrains from criticising it but takes the opportunity to emphasize that she is quite neutral. If all this means anything, it means that the neutrals are completely confident of German defeat and United Nations' victory.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

A Jap Warning

Japan is perturbed and this perturbation is an eloquent commentary by the Japs on the turning of the tide against them. They are now convinced of an imminent danger to the Japanese mainland itself—the danger of those air attacks that have hurt Germany so grievously. And they are hurriedly trying to take and perfect what air-raid precautions are possible. This is very noteworthy. But even more so is General Tojo's statement that "the war is about to enter its decisive phase." This is not a triumphant message but a warning to the people of Japan. And it is justified, too. The Jap Premier knows what is happening in the Pacific, he has also information of what may happen in South-East Asia. Having learnt much during the last year he knows what is coming to Japan—of the Allies and particularly the South-East Asia Command do their part of the job as they should.

Britain And Indian Culture

In their appeal for a better appreciation of India's culture, Mr. Amery, Lord Wavell and others admit that studies of Indian art, literature and archaeology have less recognition in Britain than on the continent. But why is it so? Not merely because Britain is so insular. A better explanation is that Britain is too haughty, too imperialistic towards a dependency to be able to learn anything from the latter. Even when Britishers see a good point in India's culture, few of them will openly admit it. On the other hand, many of them praise a weak point helpful to them. For instance, many Britishers have praised the caste system in India. Britain cannot escape the subtle baneful effect of imperialism.

Release Kamaladevi

The other day we pleaded for the release of women detained under the Defence of India Rules in the various prisons of the country. The Central Provinces Government have given a lead to other Provincial Governments by releasing all women detenues. We pointed out that many of the women detenues were in indifferent health, besides having been locked up for a very long period. Recently Mrs. Kamaladevi, who was released on a short parole from the Presidency Jail for Women in Vellore, was in this city for medical consultation and treatment. It appears that her health was deteriorating in jail during the past few months, so much so that the doctors in jail themselves felt alarmed and recommended her release on parole for a period of at least two months. She was, however, released on parole only for one month. This is rather strange and calls for an explanation from the Madras Government. We understand that medical opinion here was that she required careful treatment for a period of about four months without which restoration to her normal condition was unlikely. As the conditions of parole would not permit her to undergo the treatment, she had to go back to the jail in no better condition than she was in. In other words, no useful purpose has been served by her release for such a short period. She must be released forthwith and thus enabled to undergo proper medical treatment.

The Plight Of The Poor

Recently there was a boy found unconscious somewhere near the Excelsior Theatre, as reported in the 'Chronicle'. There is no doubt the plight of the poor is most pitiful. Owing to the scarcity of pies, prices and half-annas the beggars cannot gather even a few annas a day, nor, owing to rice scarcity are they able to collect some food. How are they to live is a problem. Even those who are able to do some work and earn a few annas are not able to buy any grain. Ask any shop-keeper and he will tell you that towards evening many people used to buy rice worth one anna or two annas gained during the day. This they are not able to do now.

Unless rice is sold cheap and a shop kept for the sale of the same daily in small quantities, I am afraid Bombay will suffer the same fate as Calcutta—though it may not be so worse.

P. R.

Bandra.

"Sharadiya Yugantar"

"Sharadiya Yugantar"—Edited by Mr. Vivekananda Mukhopadhyay, 2 Ananda Chatterjee Lane, Calcutta. Price Rs. 2.

We have received a copy of the Puja Number of the "Yugantar" in Bengali. Its 172 pages of full-scap size are packed with interesting articles on various subjects, stories and poems by noted writers. The Number is also profusely illustrated. It is really a wonder that its publishers have been able to bring out such a fine and large issue under the present shortage of paper and many other handicaps. The copy is certainly worth much more than its nominal price of two rupees.

J. A. N.

Science And Bengal Famine

From each evil some good would ultimately come if the path of evil is ingeniously diverted so as to meet that of good. Similarly much good can come out of the nationwide evil of Bengal famine. Science knows no nationality, but it thrives for itself and for search of the truth. Many are dying in Calcutta for want of food and some are admitted to the hospitals which are the seats of medical research. Why not then make use of the invaluable data regarding the body metabolism in starvation for advancement of the medical science?

C. R., G.

SHADOW OF FAMINE SPREADS TO ORISSA

TWENTY PERSONS DIE OF STARVATION IN NORTH BALASORE

CUTTACK, Oct. 13.

According to unconfirmed reports there were 20 deaths due to starvation in North Balasore during the week ending October 9. Out of these, 12 deaths occurred in Basta, two in Baliapal, six in Jallasore.

The above information was given by the Chief Secretary to the Orissa Government at a press conference held this morning.

As regards Ganjam, the Chief Secretary said that supplies there were sufficient, but there were difficulties in the way of distribution which was not an easy matter. But this problem, he added, was being tackled.

The Chief Secretary also made a statement about the situation in the Puri District. He said that distress had been reported from the Puri District due mainly to high prices of paddy, rice and also to local shortage in certain areas on account of their inaccessibility.

The Collector in consultation with the Director of Food Supplies had made arrangements to bring supplies from other districts to Puri town, where supplies had been irregular owing to the difficulty in obtaining milled rice and the first consignment of 2,204 maunds already arrived and further consignment was expected in the near future. Necessary steps, the Chief Secretary further said, were being taken to ensure regular supply of rice to Puri town upto the end of December.

Free kitchens were being run at Puri and Jatni for indigent persons. Doles were being distributed in parts of Brahmagiri.

SITUATION STILL CRITICAL.

A Calcutta message says: The situation arising out of total scarcity of rice continues to be critical at Chandpur in the district of Tipperah, no rice being supplied to the ration card holders. Many town residents have been passing their days without meals.

Rice is selling at Rs. 55 to Rs. 63 per maund in some Thanas. The Bengal Relief Committee opened eight relief centres.

Over 3,000 sick destitutes were admitted to the hospitals, of whom 533 died till October 8. The Chandpur Relief Committee is running a beggars' concentration camp whereat about 2,000 destitutes are fed and sheltered at Government cost. In mofussil 178 free kitchens are conducted under the control of the subdivisional relief committee.—United Press.

PLEA FOR FULL CO-OPERATION

PLYMOUTH, Oct. 12.

The 'Western Morning News' discussing in its leader the India League Conference says Parliament will give Government no rest until adequate proof is forthcoming that every possible relief measure has been taken to relieve the famine in India.

"Additional demands of the India League, however, show that the object of the confidence was more political than humanitarian. Attempts to throw blame for India's misfortune on the central or the Imperial Governments will be as much deplored here as attempts to discredit fully Indianised provincial Governments and to deduce from their alleged inefficiency India's unfitness for self-Government."

The paper says it is foolish to suggest that British authorities have not made great efforts to improve the food supply.

"Looking beyond the immediate crisis, however, the task of the Government of India will still be a burdensome one and if mistakes of the past are to be avoided there must be full and whole-hearted sharing of responsibilities between the Indians and the English.—Reuter.

86 DEATHS ON TUESDAY

CALCUTTA: There were 184 admissions and 86 deaths of sick destitutes in various hospitals in Calcutta and suburbs yesterday. During the day, 81 such cases were discharged from the hospitals.

BENGAL RELIEF COMMITTEE'S COLLECTION

Donations received by the Bengal Relief Committee upto the 9th October amount to Rs. 11,09,307, plus 3,560 mds. of rice, 4,792 mds. of wheat, 33 bales of cloth and 5,000 dozens of "ganjis."

PROTEST AGAINST BOMBAY GOVT.'S ATTITUDE

CALCUTTA: With reference to the press note of the Bombay Government in connection with the influx of destitutes from Bengal into Bombay, the Committee of the Calcutta Yarn Merchants Association have addressed a communication to the Chief Secretary of the Bombay Government pointing out that their attitude in this connection is most injudicious and inhuman, particularly when all other Governments are showing sympathetic attitude. They also point out that Bombay and other provinces owe a great deal to Bengal for their commerce and industry and hope that Bombay Government will reconsider the situation. Orissa rice allotted for Bengal will be coming here from today; the delay was due to transport difficulties which have now been surmounted.—O. P.

Churchill On Nationalisation Of Mining Industry

WESTMINSTER, Oct. 13

Mr. Churchill unexpectedly decided to speak in the Coal Debate which was resumed in the House of Commons to-day. This surprise move was taken in view of the swelling volume of criticism from the Labour Party.

Mr. Churchill said: "The Government give this assurance to miners: The present system of control plans with any improvements which may be made to it will be continued after the war until Parliament shall decide on the future structure of the industry. There will be a settlement by agreement of the great parties or a general election, but until that is over there will be no decisive change in the present structure of coal industry or the removal of control."

Mr. Churchill said that the principle of nationalisation was accepted by all provided proper compensation was paid, but we must be careful that a pretext is not made of war needs to introduce far-reaching social or political changes by a side wind. Unless it could be proved to the House and the country that nationalisation of coal mines was the only way to win the war, we should not be justified in embarking on it without a general election.

After stressing the difficulties of holding a general election, Mr. Churchill declared: "I could not be responsible, as at present advised, for undertaking any further great change, and certainly not of a permanent great change, in the mining industry during the war because that, I think, would require to be ratified or preceded by a popular mandate. Therefore we must resist all such proposals.

Mr. Churchill declared: "We are told of a great unrest in the mining industry. I think that is a little unjust to the miners. Only 7,50,000 tons of coal has been lost during the last twelve months by strikes out of over 200 millions produced. The loss by strikes and stoppages has been not more than two-thirds of one half of one per cent."

There was nothing in the present situation that would justify an overturn of the present system. It would cause more trouble than it was worth and the reactions engendered might be deeply harmful to the war effort and might even prolong the war. He was ready, if it would give any further sense of security to the miners, for discussions to take place under a Minister.—Reuter.

Order On Sind Editors Withdrawn

KARACHI, Oct. 13

In view of the altered situation, says a Press Note, the Sind Government have withdrawn their former order according to which no printer or editor could publish news of (1) interruption of any kind of road and rail communication, (2) acts of sabotage or attempted sabotage directed at houses, water supply installations, telegraph and telephone lines or any other public utility service, (3) strikes or interruption of work in factories engaged in producing material released to the press by Government.—A. P.

INTERNMENT FOR SATYAVATI DEVI

NEW DELHI, Oct. 13

A message from Simla indicates that Shrimati Satyavati Devi, well-known Congress worker of Delhi has been served with an order under the D. I. R. 26 to reside and remain within the limits of the Lady Irwin Sanatorium, and she shall not, without the previous permission of the District Magistrate of Simla to go outside the sanatorium, Jubber.

It is understood the order was served on Shrimati Satyavati Devi on October 11.—United Press.

COMMEMORATION OF FRONTIER LEADER'S ARREST

PESHAWAR, Oct. 13: To commemorate the arrest of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan which took place on October 27 last year, the Frontier Congress Committee has decided to take out a procession, hold a public meeting and offer public prayer for the health of the leader on October 27.

The death of Khan Said Khan, a prominent Khudai Khidmatgar, which took place on October 27 last year, will also be commemorated the same day.

It is understood that a meeting of the Frontier Congress Committee and Khudai Khidmatgar leaders of the Province will be summoned on October 27 at Peshawar. The Congress M.L.A.'s have been invited to attend the meeting.—United Press.

ALL QUIET IN AHMEDABAD

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Oct 13.

All is quiet on the Ahmedabad front. The situation is normal and no further incident is reported this morning. Both night and morning passed off quietly. One person who was stabbed on 9th died in Hospital this morning, which leads to the total deaths of six since Dussera night.

Governor's Assurance To Bijapur

The Governor of Bombay, replying to Bijapur welcome address at the Darbar, on Wednesday, said:

"I thank you most warmly for the cordial welcome which you have extended to me on this my first visit to Bijapur District.

One of the first problems which confronted me on my arrival in India was the conditions in Bijapur. Although the situation since then has improved, we are by no means out of the wood. The extra expenditure incurred by Government during the past year in providing relief for this District has been in the vicinity of a crore of Rupees as against the normal revenue of 18 lakhs of Rupees, or in other words, Government has spent over 5 years' revenue towards relief in one year. Yet you may be sure I and my Government will do everything possible to bring succour and relief to these stricken areas. I was gratified to learn, however, that the number of persons needing relief and the number of these employed on famine labour have decreased with the gradual improvement in conditions, as the result of the recent rains, and the good prospects of the kharif crops and the rabi sowings. Far-reaching steps are being taken to reduce the liability to famine, from which Bijapur has so long suffered. Land development schemes, including very large contour bunding works, costing probably 3/4 crore are to be undertaken, and have already commenced. I trust that these steps will increasingly make the District more immune from the distress which has befallen it in recent years.

Potatoes For Sale

The Government of Bombay has been able to take over a small consignment of potatoes imported from South Africa and these will be put on sale from October 15 at the 43 Government Grain Stores where other vegetables are sold. The price is fixed at three annas per lb. and each individual will be allowed to purchase one lb. at a time on any one day.

HIGHEST PAID AMERICANS

Emoluments Of Film Stars And Businessmen

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13

The Secretary of Treasury, Mr. Morgenthau issued a list of persons making over 75,000 dollars annually. It revealed that film-stars are still the highest paid Americans. The list showed Jeannette MacDonald received a salary of 3,00,000 dollars from Loews Incorporated, making her one of filmdom's highest paid stars. The other highest paid was Bing Crossby, who received 300,000 dollars from Paramount. Other total incomes included Ginger Rogers 140,000 dollars; Marlene Dietrich 200,000 dollars; Gary Cooper 299,000 dollars; Norma Shearer 349,000 dollars; William Powell 242,000 dollars; Myrna Loy 125,000 dollars; Clark Gable 198,000 dollars; Joan Crawford 195,000 dollars; Ronald Colman, Frederick March, and Rosalind Russel, 100,000 dollars each; Barbara Stanwyck 90,000 dollars.

The highest paid American businessman is G. G. Swibelius of Dixwell Corporation, Connecticut with 499,000 dollars in straight salary.—Reuter.

TWO TO HANG

For Murder Of Constable At Mahim Fair

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Blagden and a Special Jury).

Emperor

v

1. S. K. Hassan Abdul Karim
2. Akbarkhan Attamahomed. ..... Accused.

The accused were charged with having committed the murder of a police constable named Nasiruddin at the Mahim Fair on the night of 24th December last and with having abetted each other in the commission of the murder.

The trial went on for almost four days in course of which 16 witnesses were examined. It attracted considerable public interest and when it concluded on Tusday evening the Court room was packed.

The Jury returned a unanimous verdict finding both accused guilty of murder but made a recommendation for mercy as far as the sentence was concerned.

In passing sentence, His Lordship stated that this was a cold-blooded murder and he passed sentence of death on both accused. His Lordship observed that the Jury's recommendation for mercy would be forwarded to the proper quarters.

Mr. Jal R. Vimadalal and the Advocate-General Mr. N. P. Engineer instructed by the Public Prosecutor Mr. N. K. Petigara appeared for the Prosecution.

Mr. P. A. Mahale and Mr. Upadhya defended the first accused.

Mr. Vinayak G. Mohile defended the second accused.

18 Months For Possession Of Bombs

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha and a Common Jury.)

Emperor

v

Bhupendra Himatlal Mehta. ..... Accused.

The accused, a young man 19 years of age, was charged with being in possession of two bombs with intent to endanger life or cause injury to property under Section 4 (b) of the Explosive Substances Act of 1908. He was also charged under Section 5 of that Act for possessing those bombs under circumstances giving rise to a reasonable suspicion that he did not have them for a lawful object.

The Jury having returned a unanimous verdict of guilty on both charges, His Lordship sentenced the accused to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment on each charge the sentences to run concurrently.

Mr. P. P. Khambatta instructed by the Public Prosecutor appeared for the Prosecution.

Mr I N Mehta and Mr V H Thakore defended the accused.

Rovers Cup

BOMBAY, Oct. 13

G. I. P. Railway qualified for the semi-final of the Rovers Cup Football Tournament by defeating L. A. A. Regiment by five goals to one.—A. P.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Corporation by-elections have resulted in the election of the following: (1) Mr. S. K. Patil, (2) Mr. Nagindas T. Master and (3) Mr. Y. J. Meherally.

All Congressmen and all in detention.

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Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, the well-known Tory M.P., has urged upon Mr. Amery the desirability of the Government of India setting up an inquiry into the causes of the food crisis.

We fully support Sir John's suggestion with just two amendments; the inquiry should be held by a United Nations' Commission and, secondly, no questions should be barred.

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An Anglo-Indian contemporary insists that in any scheme of post-war civil aviation an Indian air company should have full and equal voice along with the United Kingdom and the Domintons and full reciprocity with other countries.

And to ensure the full success of the Company commensurate with the position the Indian Company, if any is at all considered necessary, should be floated in the City of London and —the sooner the better.

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The Soviet Consul-General to South Africa, M. Nikolai Demianov, has been recalled to Moscow says a Pretoria report.

Did he happen to be an Asiatic? Or is it something really serious?

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Dr. Salazar announcing the Azores agreement emphasised that Portugal was determined to maintain neutrality on the mainland—Lisbon cable.

We are not surprised, but quite amused.

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We are also amused at General Franco's statement that Spain remains a quiet refuge of civilisation and even of quiet living, safe from anxiety and threats."

And we are not surprised.

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"The war", says General Tojo, "is about to enter its decisive phase."

It is—if Lord Louis Mountbatten and the British War Cabinet oblige.

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How these actors love one another! In a resort of the profession the other day, a young actor was complaining that he could not get an engagement. "And, mind you," he added, "my ability has never been questioned."

"Questioned!" retorted another pro. "It's never even been mentioned."

Aligarh Old Boys' Tributes To Azad

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A condolence resolution touching the death of Mr. M. K. Azad, was passed at a meeting of the Aligarh Old Boys' Association, at the Anjuman-i-Islam this evening. Mr. Murtaza Ali Khan presided.

The meeting passed another resolution suggesting that the Bombay Municipality should rename the New Nagpada Road as the M. K. Azad Road.

By another resolution, the meeting decided that a suitable tablet should be raised on the tomb of Mr. Azad and moneys for this purpose should be raised from members of the Association.

Dr. Nazir Ahmed paid a tribute to the affableness, geniality and helpfulness of Mr. Azad He had not only served the Muslims of Bombay well, but the city as well.

Mr. Osman Sobhani recalled his 37-year-old association with Mr. Azad and narrated incidents which illustrated the qualities of his head and heart.

Mr. Murtaza Ali Khan said he was the best example of Islamic culture. He always befriended the needy, was genial and independent.

Hakim Haider Beg also spoke.

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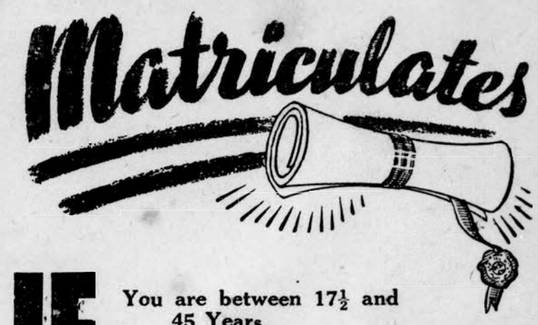

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To-day's Engagements

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: Talk by Sir Victor Sassoon, Bart., on "Impressions gained by me during my absence from Bombay in the last two years", at 6-30 p.m. to-day at Shri Sunderbai Memorial Hall, next to Central Offices, Queen's Road, Bombay. Sir Chimanlal Setalvad will preside.

INTER-UNIVERSITY ACQUATICS: From 11 a.m. onwards: 200 metres Free Style, 200 metres Back Stroke, 1,500 meters Free Style.
RESULTS OF WEDNESDAY'S EVENTS
Event: 100 metres Breast Stroke:
1. Hyder Ali and Jaffer Ali (Punjab) Dead Heat.
3. M. N. Dick (Bombay). Time: 1 min. 36.4 secs.
Event: 800 metres Free Style:
1. M. K. Sethna (Bombay). Time: 14 mins. 3.2 secs.
2. Kudlip Singh (Punjab).
3. Safdar Ali (Punjab).

VAKTRUTVA UTTEJAK SABHA, DADAR: Public meeting in the Dhuru Hall, Dadar, at 9 p.m. Mr. V. M. Tarkunde, Bar-at-Law, will speak on "The Fate of the Indian Middle Class".

TECHNOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION: Dr. J. G. Kane will deliver a lecture on "Some American Methods of Processing Oilseeds and Oils" at 5-15 p.m. in the Auditorium of the department of Chemical Technology, University of Bombay, Matunga Road, Matunga.

ALL-INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: The annual conference of the All-India Women's Conference Dadar-Matunga Branch at 4 p.m. (S. T.), at Dadar Bhagini Samaj, Hindu Colony, Dadar, Bombay, when resolutions on "Food" and "Law" will be considered. Mr. D. V. Pradhan and Mr. R. M. Chitnis will be main speakers.

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BULLION IN SAFE CUSTODY IS NOT AN INVESTMENT

High Court Dismisses Appeal Against Scindia Steam Navigation Co.

The appeal filed by Mr. Wamanlal Chotalal Parekh against the Scindia Steam Navigation Company Ltd. and directors was dismissed with costs by the Chief Justice Sir Leonard Stone and Justice Sir Harilal Kania.

In May 1940, the respondent Company purchased twenty-five lakhs of rupees of gold and silver and deposited the same in banks. The appellants' contention was that such a transaction was "ultra vires" of the Company's constitution to the Memorandum of the Association of the Company.

In giving judgment, the Chief Justice referred to various clauses of the Memorandum of Association and to several English cases on the subject. His lordship also referred to the statement of the respondent Company to the effect that the directors had made the investment purely out of consideration of safety.

If a man deposited his family jewels in a bank for safe custody, he could not be said to be using them and if a Company converted a part of its resources into gold and silver with the avowed intention of depositing the bullion for safe custody, it could not be said to be investing moneys.

In both cases, the object was to withdraw from hazards. In a case in which safe deposit was the main spring of what was done, there was no room for any degree of activity and risk, which were some of the characteristics of an investment.

His Lordship therefore held that when the Company had changed its surplus money into a commodity which was locked up in safe custody, it was not an investment. In his opinion, the transaction came within the object mentioned in 3 (G) (3) which permitted the Company to acquire personal estate and effects. His Lordship therefore dismissed the appeal.

Mr. Justice Kania concurred.

FREE MILK FOR UNDER-NOURISHED PUPILS?

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Under-nourished pupils in Municipal schools will have the benefit of free milk if the Municipal Corporation accepts a recommendation made by the Schools Committee to-day. The Committee urged the provision in the Budget Estimates for 1944-45 an amount of Rs. 1,25,000 for free distribution of milk to poor, under-nourished children in schools.

Mr. N. C. Pupala who sponsored the resolution pointed out the difficulties of poor parents in providing an adequate milk supply to their wards during times of economic stress.

A member of the Schools Committee raised a note of warning against any faulty scheme being adopted leading to uncertain benefits of the milk supply.

"Let us make ourselves certain" he said, "that the milk reaches deserving pupils and not some one outside".

There were protests from members on the score of an insinuation in this remark.

The member had no objection against the resolution but every objection against a faulty scheme of distribution of milk.

Dr. Mrs. Malini Sukhtankar suggested that the details of the scheme should be left to the Health Department, after the Corporation's acceptance of the principle.

Two instances where the rod had not been spared by Municipal teachers were brought to the notice of the Schools Committee to-day. The Committee decided to impose a fine of Rs. 5 on a teacher who, in the words in his own statement of admission, had "slapped the pupil on the cheek because he had not prepared the lessons." The memorandum from the Secretary of the Committee about the allegation against the teacher stated that the pupil lost his tooth due to 'spanking'.

The Committee decided to administer a warning to a woman teacher who had beaten her pupil on the head.

"Women's Rupee Fund"

The Bombay Presidency Women's Council has opened a "Women's Rupee Fund" to help the distressed in various famine areas. Contributions will be gratefully received by Mrs. R. B. Billimoria, President, Thoburn House, Apollo Bunder and by Mrs. F. D. Nanavati, Hon. Treasurer, Perry Road, Bandra.

Variety In Aid Of Adult Literacy Campaign

A variety entertainment will be staged at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 17th October, at the Royal Opera House. Seth Manekial Chunilal will preside. Shri. Prithviraj Kapoor, Surendra Nath Pahari Sanyal, Revashanker, Kamanand, Prof. Jatin of Calcutta, Prof. Kassim Ali of Iraq, Shrimati Alaknanda, Vatsala Kumthekar, Kumari Kamala Chaterji and Nirmala have kindly consented to participate. Prof. Jatin and his wife Shrimati Miraben's dance with a live Python (Ajgar, which measures 11 feet in length) is a novel item. Tickets range from Rs. 25 to Re. 1 and the booking has already amounted to nearly Rs. 4,000. Some tickets are yet available from the Committee's office, Yusuf Building, Churchgate Street, Fort.

VOLUNTEERS MEETING AT RED FLAG HALL: The General Secretary, Bombay Students' Union writes: To organise Bengal Relief and vacation work, a meeting of all volunteers will be held at Red Flag Hall, Arab House, Khetwadi Main Road, opp. 13th Khetwadi Cross Lane to-day at 6 p.m.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN IN INDIA

The National Council of Women in India wishes to announce that Flag Day collections in boxes have now been stopped. Donations, however, big or small will be accepted by the Secretary at the N. C. W. I. Office, Dinshaw Manor, Owendunn Road, Gamdevi, even hereafter.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

SHARES: The local stock Exchange experienced a rude jerk today purely on sentimental reason. Yesterday after the close the market feeling was nervous and this morning there was considerable unloading in a declining market. There is no change in the industrial outlook and money market remains easy. However war news was mainly responsible for the drop in prices and particularly steel shares suffered considerably. As pointed out the market being narrow

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Tata Steel Defd. (2021/4) 1975 25 50 22 10 32 20 30 1900 1892 1900 10 25; T. S. Ord. (411) 400 394 96/8 89 92/8 86 89 93 92/8; Dyeing (2027/8) 2010 15 1990 87/8 97/8 85 70 82/8 62/8 71/4 92/8 91/4; Century (947) 942 30 33 22 10 24 20 8 12 30; Kohinoor (673) 666 69 59 64 58 50 57 53 56 47 52 58; Swadesh (607) 601 584 88 84 76 84 74 78 83; Nagpur (490) 485 88 78 80 72 77 69 70 76; Simplex (293/8) 290 86 87 83 81 84 79 82/8; New Great (454/8) 449 50 37 41 39 31 38 35 37; Gokak (368/8) 362 54 58 55 53 56/8; 58; Cement (221) 220 21 20/8 21 19/12; Bellapur (254/8) 251 52 47 50 46 45 48 46 50.

there was pronounced effect on the price structure. At the decline there appeared some replacement support but the market will be guided by war reports from the East. Tata Steel Defds after declining to Rs 1,925 rallied to Rs. 1,945 and Ordinary shares after touching Rs. 389 improved to Rs. 392 Dyeings were done at Rs 1,990 and Century Shares were quoted at Rs. 925 while Kohinoors stood at Rs. 650. The market was hesitant with a disposition to await developments.

TEXTILE SECTION: Ahmed Advance 525, Apollo 5-9, Bharat Mills 87-8, Bom. Dyeing 1,991-4, Cent. India 476, Century 930, Colaba 243, Dawn 1,555, E. D. Ordy. 19-8, E. D. Defd. 4, Edward Sassoon 775, Elphinstone 77, Finlay 338, Gokak 358, Hindustan 4,000, Ind. Bleaching 224, Indore Malwa 1,165, Ind. Manfg. 1,160, Khatau 450, Kohinoor 658, Lakshmi 1,656-4, Mahdowji 28, Minerva 225, Model Nagpur 353-12, Madhusudan 545, Meyer Sassoon 222-8, Morarji 830, Mysore 300, New City 440, New Great 437, Phonenix 680, Podar Mills 375, Sassoon Spg. 28-8, Sasson Silk 98-8, Sholapur 8,610, Shri Nivas 425, Simplex 282-8, Svadeshi 583, Swan 308, Tata Mills 78-8, Vishnu 2,695, Western India 3,375.

MISC. GROUP: Alembic Chem. 341-4, Alcock Ashdown 515, Asso. Cement 219-12, B. B. Petrol 3, Bom. Burma Old 415, Bom Burma New 146-4, Bom. Steamer 595, Belapur 250, Invest. Trust 59-4, Prem. Const. 188, Port Canning 101-4, Radio Grd. 502-4, Radio Defd. 481-4, Scindia 36-14, Shivrajpur 71-8, Tata Ordy. 393-8, Tata Defd. 1,925, Tata Chem. 32-12, Tata Oil 81-8, Wimco 322-8

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BULLION. The local Bullion Market was firm with feverish activity. There was large-scale buying and the bank sales of gold were taken up at Rs. 81/4 and the demand being excessive prices were pushed up to Rs 82/10. At this level some profit-taking appeared and the market steadied at Rs 82/2, spot gold was quoted at Rs. 82/4. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 56. Ready silver was placed at Rs. 128/12 and delivery business was done at Rs. 128. The market is in a state of excitement and wide price movement is expected.

The market ruled firm with good demand for gold. Closing quotations ready gold Rs. 83/6, delivery Rs. 83/4 Sovereigns Rs 56/4. Ready silver Rs. 129 delivery Rs. 128/4.

MAHOORAT BUSINESS IN SHARES

The Bombay Stock Exchange will remain open for Diwalli Mahoorat. Business on Thursday the 28th inst. between 3 and 4-30 p.m.

Export Licences Quota Certificates

The following Press Note has been issued by the Textile Commissioner:—

"As export licences and quota certificates from the Export Trade Controller, Bombay, do not contain enough details to permit of the exact identification of the goods covered, all exporters at Bombay holding these licences or certificates should apply to the Textile Commissioner for formal extension orders, as otherwise there will be a possibility of mistakes being made by the enforcement authorities. The application should contain full details of the contents of the bales, their marks and numbers and the places where they are stored."

Tansa Lake Overflows Again

The Tansa Lake which gives a part of the "agua pura' that satiates the thirsty souls of the city of Bombay is overflowing for the third time, thus setting up a record of recent years for overflowing thrice in a year.

RENT ORDER EXTENDED TO SUBURBAN DISTRICT

The Bombay Rent Restriction Order has been extended to the whole of the Bombay Suburban District from October 12.

The Prant Officer of the Bombay Suburban District will be the Controller for the purposes of the Order.

AHMEDABAD AND BROACH SCHOOL BOARDS

The period of suppression of the District School Boards of Ahmedabad and Broach has been extended until July 1, 1944. Both Boards will be re-established on that date.

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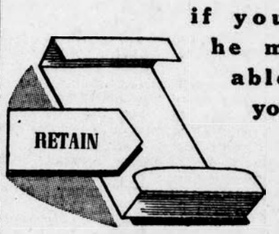

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42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted trained and untrained salesmen for Kiryana line. Appl Box No. 2928, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a lady graduate teacher to coach daughters of respectable Hindu family in English. Knowledge of Sanskrit preferred. Apply Post Box 4506, Bombay. 2924

Wanted workers on decent salary for Litho, Typo, and Box-making Works. Apply Famous Cine Litho Works, 40B-Clerk Road, Byculla, Bombay. (2933)

Wanted a Cost Accountant in the Finance Department, Supply Bombay on scale of pay 200-20-300. The post is temporary for the duration of the war. Applications with details of qualifications and practical experience of cost accoun supported by copies of testimonials should be submitted not later than 25th October to the Deputy Financial Adviser, Suppl Finance, Reserve Bank Buildin Bombay. (6472)

Wanted complete schemes for a Glass Factory to be shortly started at Sialkot. Experts required Decent pay. Apply sharp with full particulars. Write to the Box No. 2848, "Bombay Chronicle."

69. FLATS WANTED

Wanted immediately two to three rooms flat with bath and lavatory attached at Dhobi Talao, Chowpati, Queen's Road, Marine Drive or Dadar or any other good locality. Rent upto Rs. 300|-. Apply Box No. 2913, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted influential and experienced canvassers on salary and commission basis. Apply Famous Cine Litho Works, 40-B, Clerk Road, Byculla, Bombay. (2935)

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382. MACHINERY FOR SALE

For sale Match Machineries. Apply Box No. 2932, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted White Paper in rolls and Gelatine Glue. Apply Box No. 2931, "Bombay Chronicle."

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PUBLIC NOTICES

IMPORT OF PARTS FOR MOTOR CYCLES OF NORTH AMERICAN ORIGIN

INTENDING IMPORTERS of PARTS FOR MOTOR CYCLES of NORTH AMERICAN ORIGIN may apply to the undersigned by the 10th November, 1943, at the latest, with full particulars of their requirements, stating the total value of such parts imported by them during the years 1938, 1939, 1940 and 1941.

CONTROLLER OF ROAD TRANSPORT.
War Transport Department.
6448

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N. P. KURESHI,
Administrative Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipal School Board,
Dt. 11th Oct. 1943.
(6468)

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SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICE
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THE PUBLIC IS NOTIFIED that No. 602 Up Kurla Local train will NOT halt at Currey Road, Chinchpokli and Sandhurst Road stations on Thursday the 14th October 1943.

On and from 15th October, 1943 No. 312 Up Kalyan Local train will stop at Mumbra and will consequently run to the following revised timings:—Dombivli Dep. 8-26 hrs., Diva Dep. 8-33 hrs., Mumbra Dep. 8-37 hrs. arriving Thana 8.44 hrs. as at present.
(6471)

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NOTICE
INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

Examination for entrance to certain subordinate services of the Indian Posts and Telegraphs Department in the Bombay Circle.

A competitive examination for recruitment of about 25 candidates of the SCHEDULED CLASSES to certain subordinate services of the Indian Posts and Telegraphs Department in the Bombay Circle will be held on the 4th November, 1943. The starting pay ranges between Rs. 35|- & Rs. 50|- according to stations and goes upto Rs. 80|- and Rs. 150|- with good prospects of further promotions.

2. The examination is open to candidates of both sexes of scheduled classes born between 5th November 1919 and 4th November, 1924 (both dates inclusive). They must have passed the Matriculation or an equivalent examination and be domiciled in the Bombay Presidency.

3. Particulars relating to the examination with a copy of the prescribed form of application and the recruitment rules will be supplied upto the 25th October, 1943, by the office of the Postmaster-General, Bombay, on receipt of the fee of Re. 1|-, which should be sent ONLY by a crossed Indian Postal Order, payable to the Postmaster-General, Bombay, at the General Post Office, Bombay.

4. Applications in the prescribed form only will be entertained and they must be received in the office of the Postmaster-General, Bombay, by the 28th October, 1943, at the latest. Applications received after that date will be rejected.

5. All the vacancies announced are temporary for the duration of the war and the claims of the selected officials for permanent appointments in the Department will be considered after the war, along with the candidates with war service. It is likely that 50% of the vacancies may be made permanent.
Bombay.

Dated the 11th October, 1943.
(6464)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Controller of Stores, Bombay Port Trust, at his office at Clarke Bunder, Mazagon, Bombay No. 10, up to 1 p.m. (S.T.) on MONDAY, the 25th October, 1943, for the fabrication, during the calendar year 1944, of UNIFORM CLOTHING AND SUPPLY OF BADGES, CAPS, ETC.

Full conditions and particulars are embodied in the form of tender and schedule, which may be obtained from the office of the Controller of Stores at Rs. 3|- per copy.

Tender forms will NOT be sent per V.P.P.

R. C. MASTER,
Controller of Stores.
Mazagon, Bombay 10,
6th October, 1943.
(6441)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that REWACHAND WATOOMUL, of Bombay and Hyderabad (Sind) Hindu Inhabitant, the surviving Trustee of the last Will and Testament of Shamdas Hiranand has contracted to sell the below described property to our client. All persons having or claiming any estate right, title, interest, property benefit, claim or demand in to upon over or out of the said property or any part thereof on any ground whatsoever are hereby required to make their demands and claims known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort and to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within a fortnight. Any claim or demand not made known as hereby required will be considered to have been waived and abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land of the Fazandari Tenure with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate on the North side of Masjid Bunder Road in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay and containing by admeasurement two hundred and sixteen decimal point seventy-five (216.75) Square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of land Revenue under New Survey Nos. 1332 and 1333, Cadastral Survey No. 1175 of Mandvi Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under B Ward No. 839, Old Street Nos. 164-170 and New Street No. 180-184 Masjid Bunder Road and bounded on or towards the North by a sweeper's passage, on or towards the East by the property of Haji Tyeb Haji Essa on or towards the South by the Masjid Bunder Road and on or towards the West by the property of Fatmabibi, widow of Sulleman Shet.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1943.

JAMSEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS,
Attorneys for Purchaser.

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE DEHRI OIL REFINERY, LTD.

The subscription list for both, the Ordinary and the Preference shares of The Dehri Oil Refinery, Limited, 15, Clive Street, Calcutta is CLOSED on 12th October, 1943 owing to over subscription.
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NOTICE

LORRIES upto 26 (20-3 tonners and 6-5 tonners) with labour are required for M.E.S. works in Bombay City and surrounding districts. Those willing to supply on demand basis should apply to the undersigned BEFORE 15TH OCTOBER mentioning rates and the notice required. Successful tenderers will be required to pay deposit, of Rs. 2,600|-.

A. W. S. BARNARD.
Provincial Motor Transport Controller
Secretariat.
Bombay, ...October, 1943.
(6473)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Controller of Stores Bombay Port Trust, at his office at Clarke Bunder, Mazagon, Bombay No. 10, up to 1 P.M. (S.T.) on MONDAY, the 15th November, 1943, for the supply of Drugs and Medical Requisites.

"Tender forms giving full particulars can be obtained from the Office of the Controller of Stores free of charge."

R. C. MASTER,
Controller of Stores.
Mazagon, Bombay, 10.
9th October 1943.
(6467)

LEGAL NOTICES

Re: SALE OF TYEBJI HOUSE AT THE CORNER OF CHOUPATY ROAD AND FRENCH ROAD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BIBI SAHIBA TAHIRA KHATOON, widow of Mohsin Budruddin Tyabji and Dr. AMIN MOHSIN BUDRUDDIN TYABJI, have contracted to sell to one of our clients the undermentioned properties. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said properties or any one of them by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim, and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES

FIRSTLY:—ALL that piece or parcel of Government leasehold land or ground with a messuage or bungalow standing thereon, known as Mr. JUSTICE TYABJI'S CHAUPATI HOUSE, and situate at Queen's Road or Chaupati Sea Face, in the registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 673½ (six hundred and seventy-three and a half) Square Yards or thereabouts, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's New No. F|16876, and New Survey No. 4|8005, Cadastral Survey Number part of 1523 Girgaum Division and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Assessment under D Ward No. 2445 (9) and Street No. 309-311 and held under a lease dated 26th of February 1866 from the Secretary of State for 99 years.

SECONDLY:—ALL that piece or parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground together with the messuages and buildings standing thereon, known as Mr. JUSTICE TYABJI'S FRENCH ROAD PROPERTY, situate on the South side of the French Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 652 (six hundred and fifty-two) Square yards or thereabouts and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the North by the said French Road, on or towards the South by the property of Abu Backar Jamal, on or towards the East by the property of Maneksha Jehangir Talyarkhan, and on or towards the West by the property hereinbefore firstly described and which said premises are registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 86 and 107, New Nos. 744 and D|871, Old Survey No. 179, and New Survey No. 7|7997, and Cadastral Survey Number part of 1523 Girgaum Division and are assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D Ward No. 2569 and Street Nos. 31, 31A, 31B and 31C.

Bombay dated 11th day of October, 1943.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
(6459)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. RATANSHAW SORABJI MASTER, has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim in any manner, whatsoever, to the said property, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 36, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within FOURTEEN DAYS from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY:—

Piece of land with bungalow thereon known as "Bela Vista", admeasuring about 1,400 square yards, situate at Danda in the Sub-Registration District of Bandra, being plot No. 28 under Scheme No. 6 and bounded on the North by plot No. 28A, South by Recreation Ground, West by Plot No. 26 and East by a public road. Bombay, dated this 11th day of October, 1943.

GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HANIFABAI, widow of Suleman Jusub and Rahimtulla Suleman have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, residence, easement or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office situate at Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE ABOVE PROPERTY.

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